

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Provided is a direct imaging lithographic printing plate by having on a support a hydrophilic image-receiving layer comprising a polymer compound that is chemically bonded directly to the support surface and has hydrophilic functional groups. Therein, the hydrophilic functional groups preferably have capabilities of forming chelates together with polyvalent metal ions. The polymer compound may be chemically bonded directly to the support surface at its molecular chain end or may be chemically bonded to a polymer backbone chemically bonded to the support surface at its molecular chain end.

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